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Amendments to the Claims:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1.-2. (Cancelled)

Claim 3. (Currently Amended) Antenna arrangement having a plurality of antennas for different functions and frequencies for a vehicle with a body having a vehicle outer skin, wherein:

said vehicle outer skin comprises a plurality of body components; fabricated of sheet metal;

the antennas are formed in structural gaps in the vehicle outer skin; and

at least one of the antennas is arranged in a gap comprising a joint at which individual components of the vehicle outer skin adjoin one another.

Claim 4. (Cancelled)

Claim 5. (Currently Amended) Antenna arrangement having a plurality of antennas for different functions and frequencies for a vehicle with a body having a vehicle outer skin, wherein:

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said vehicle skin comprises a plurality of <u>metallic</u> body components; fabricated of sheet metal;

the antennas are formed at structural gaps in the vehicle outer skin;

at least one gap is formed by a slot in one of said metallic body components sheet metal; and

the slot is dimensioned in such a way that the slot itself forms a slot antenna.

Claim 6. (Cancelled)

Claim 7. (Currently Amended) Antenna arrangement according to claim 3, wherein:

at least some of said body components are metallic;

at least one gap is formed by comprises a slot formed in one of said metallic body components; sheet metal; and

the slot is dimensioned in such a way that it forms a slot antenna.

Claims 8.-26. (Cancelled)

Claim 27. (Currently Amended) A passenger vehicle comprising:

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a vehicle body having an outer skin formed by conjoining a plurality

of body metallic components fabricated of sheet metal; and

a plurality of antennas having respective different functions and

frequency characteristics; wherein

the antennas are formed at gaps in the vehicle outer skin; and

said gaps comprise at least one of a joint at which individual

components of the vehicle skin adjoin one another and a slot in one of said sheet

metal metallic body components, which slot is dimensioned in such a way that

said slot itself forms a slot antenna.

Claim 28. (Previously Presented) A passenger vehicle according to

claim 27, wherein said antennaes include antennas for:

(a) AM radio reception;

(b) FM radio reception; and

(c) a vehicle locking system

Claim 29. (Previously Presented) A passenger vehicle according to

claim 28, wherein said antennas include antennas for:

a GPS system.

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Claim 30. (Previously Presented) A passenger vehicle according to claim 28, wherein said antennas include antennas for:

a mobile telephone.

Claim 31. (Previously Presented) A passenger vehicle according to claim 28, wherein said antennas include antennas for:

a satellite radio.

Claim 32. (Previously Presented) A passenger vehicle according to claim 28, wherein said antennas include antennas for:

a distance determining radio system.

Claim 33. (Currently Amended) A method of making a passenger vehicle comprising:

placing a vehicle outer skin over a vehicle frame said vehicle skin comprising a plurality of eonjoined metallic body components fabricated of sheet metal; and

installing a plurality of antennas having respective different functions and frequency characteristics; wherein

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the installing of antennas includes forming the antennas [[as]] at

gaps in said vehicle outer skin sheet metal; and

said gaps comprise at least one of a joint at which individual

components of the vehicle skin adjoin one another, and a slot in one of said

metallic body components sheet metal, which slot is dimensioned in such a way

that said slot itself forms a slot antenna.

Claim 34. (Original) A method according to claim 33, wherein said

antennaes includes antennas for:

(d) AM radio reception;

(e) FM radio reception; and

(f) a vehicle locking system

Claim 35. (Original) A method of making a passenger vehicle according

to claim 33, wherein said installing includes forming at least one of said

antennas as a slot antenna disposed in a joint between two parts of the outer

skin.

Claim 36. (Original) A method of making a passenger vehicle according

to claim 33, wherein said installing includes embedding at least one of said

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antennas in a respective panelling element.

Claim 37. (Cancelled)

Claim 38. (New) The antenna arrangement according to Claim 3,

further comprising panelling members which are mounted on the vehicle outer

skin and cover said gaps, wherein:

said panelling members are made from a material which is one of a

dielectric material, an insulator material and a material which is permeable to

electromagnetic radiation;

said antennas are discrete manufactured elements, which are

separate from the panelling members.

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